This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

#### Claim 1. (currently amended) A compound of formula (I):

$$\mathbb{R}^3$$
 $\mathbb{R}^4$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 

Formula (I)

wherein

W is H, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub> branched alkyl, or straight chained alkyl;

X is  $CH_2$ , NH or  $NCH_3$ ; n is 1 or 2;

Y is O or CH<sub>2</sub>; m is 0 or 1, provided that if X is CH<sub>2</sub>, n is 1 and m is 0, then R<sup>1</sup> is not CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>;

Z is O; p is 0 or 1;

R<sup>1</sup> is H, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>7</sub> straight chain alkyl, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub> branched chain alkyl, a C<sub>1-4</sub>haloalkyl, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>7</sub> cycloalkyl, an aryl, a heteroaryl, an aralkyl, or a heteroaralkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is phenyl, 2-halophenyl or 2-pyridyl,

R<sup>3</sup> is H, Cl, Br, F, I, CF<sub>3</sub> or NO<sub>2</sub>; and wherein

- (1)-R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> together is a double bond in the diazepine ring and R<sup>6</sup> represents the group NHR<sup>7</sup> wherein R<sup>7</sup> is H, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-4</sub> hydroxyalkyl, pyridylmethyl, pyridylethyl, imidazolylethyl, 4-pyridylmethyl, 4-pydridylethyl, 4-imidazolylethyl, benzyl mono or disubstituted independently with halogen substituents, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkylpyridyl or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkylimidazolyl and p is zero;-or
- (2) R<sup>4</sup>, R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> form the group—CR<sup>8</sup>=U-V= wherein R<sup>8</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl or C<sub>1-3</sub> hydroxyalkyl, U is N or CR<sup>9</sup> wherein R<sup>9</sup> is H, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl. C<sub>1-4</sub>

<sub>3</sub>hydroxyalkyl or C<sub>1-4</sub>alkoxy, C<sub>1-4</sub>alkyl, V is N or CH and p is zero; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

### Claims 2-3. (canceled)

## Claim 4. (previously presented) A compound of formula (I);

$$\mathbb{R}^3$$
 $\mathbb{R}^4$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^5$ 
 $\mathbb{R}^6$ 

Formula (I)

wherein

W is H;

X is CH<sub>2</sub> or NH; n is 1;

Y is  $CH_2$ ; m is 0 or 1, provided that if X is  $CH_2$  and m is 0, then  $R^1$  is not  $CH_2CH_3$ ;

p is 0:

R<sup>1</sup> is CH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH(CH<sub>3</sub>), C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, benzyl or 4-pyridylmethyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is 2-fluorophenyl, 2-chlorophenyl or 2-pyridyl,

R<sup>3</sup> is Cl, Br or NO<sub>2</sub>;

R<sup>4</sup> is H, CH<sub>3</sub> or CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>;

R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together are 0 or S;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

### Claim 5. (previously presented) A compound of formula (I):

$$R^3$$
 $R^4$ 
 $R^5$ 
 $R^6$ 
 $W$ 
 $(Y)_m$ 
 $OR^1$ 

Formula (I)

wherein

W is H;

X is CH<sub>2</sub> or NH; n is 1;

Y is  $CH_2$ ; m is 0 or 1, provided that if X is  $CH_2$  and m is 0, then  $R^1$  is not  $CH_2CH_3$ ;

p is 0;

R<sup>1</sup> is CH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, benzyl or 4-pyridylmethyl; provided that when R<sup>1</sup> is 4-pyridylmethyl, then X is CH<sub>2</sub>, n is 1, Y is CH<sub>2</sub>, m is 1, R<sup>2</sup> is 2-fluorophenyl, R<sup>3</sup> is Cl, R<sup>4</sup> is H and R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together are O;

R<sup>2</sup> is 2-fluorophenyl, 2-chiorophenyl or 2-pyridyl,

R<sup>3</sup> is Cl, Br or NO<sub>2</sub>;

 $R^4$  is H,  $CH_3$  or  $CH_2CH_2N(CH_2CH_3)_2$ ; provided that when  $R^4$  is  $CH_2CH_2N(CH_2CH_3)_2$ , X is  $CH_2$ , n is 1, Y is  $CH_2$ , m is 1,  $R^1$  is  $CH_3$  or benzyl,  $R^2$  is 2-fluorophenyl,  $R^3$  is Cl and  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  together are O;

R<sup>5</sup> and R<sup>6</sup> together are O or S;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

Claims 6-7. (cancelled)

# Claim 8. (currently amended) A compound of formula (I):

$$R^3$$
 $R^4$ 
 $R^5$ 
 $R^6$ 
 $W$ 
 $(Y)_m$ 
 $OR^1$ 
 $(Z)_p$ 

Formula (I)

wherein W is H, p is 0, and X, n, Y, m,  $R^{1-6}$   $R^{1-5}$  are as follows:

X	n	Υ	m	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>6</sup>
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-fluorophenyl	CI	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-fluorophenyl	Br	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH₃	2-pyridyl	CI	Н	0
CH₂	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH₃	2-fluorophenyl	CI	CH₃	О.

# Claim 9. (previously presented) A compound of formula (I):

$$R^3$$
 $R^4$ 
 $R^5$ 
 $R^6$ 
 $W$ 
 $(Y)_m$ 
 $OR^1$ 

Formula (I)

wherein W is H, X is  $CH_2$ , n is 1, Y is  $CH_2$ , m is 1, p is 0,  $R^1$  is  $CH_3$ ,  $R^2$  is 2-fluorophenyl,  $R^3$  is Cl,  $R^4$  is H and  $R^5$  and  $R^6$  together are 0.

Claim 10. (original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>8</sup> together form a double bond in the diazepine ring, R<sup>6</sup> is the group NHR<sup>7</sup> and p is zero.

Claim 11. (original) A compound according to claim 10, wherein W is H, X is CH<sub>2</sub>, n is 1, Y is CH<sub>2</sub>, m is 1, R<sup>1</sup> is CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>2</sup> is 2-fluorophenyl, 2-chlorophenyl or 2-pyridyl, R<sup>3</sup> is Cl or Br and R<sup>7</sup> is CH<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, benzyl, 4-pyridylmethyl-, 4-pyridylethyl, CH(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, 4-imidazolylethyl or CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH.

Claim 12. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 10, wherein W is H, X is  $CH_2$ , n is 1, Y is  $CH_2$ , m is 1,  $R^1$  is  $CH_3$ , and  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$  and  $R^7$  are as follows:

R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>7</sup>
2-fluorophenyl	CI	CH₃
2-pyridyl	CI	CH₃
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	benzyl
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	4-pyridylmethyl
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	4-pyridylethyl
2-fluorophenyl	CI	CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	2-(4-imidazolyl)ethyl
2-fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH
2-fluorophenyl	Br	CH₃
2-chlorophenyl	CI	CH₃.

Claim 13. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 10, wherein W is H, X is  $CH_2$ , n is 1, Y is  $CH_2$ , m is 1,  $R^1$  is  $CH_3$ ,  $R^2$  is 2-fluorophenyl,  $R^3$  is chlorine or bromine and  $R^7$  is methyl.

Claim 14. (original) A compound according to claim 10, wherein W is H, X is  $CH_2$ , n is 1, Y is  $CH_2$ , m is 1,  $R^1$  is  $CH_3$ ,  $R^2$  is 2-fluorophenyl,  $R^3$  is Cl and  $R^7$  is  $CH_3$ .

Claims 15-23. (cancelled)

Claim 24. (previously presented) A method of producing sedation or hypnosis, inducing anxiolysis, inducing muscle relaxation or treating convulsions in a mammal in need thereof which comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of a compound of claim 1.

Claim 25. (previously presented) A method of producing sedation or hypnosis, inducing anxiolysis, inducing muscle relaxation or treating convulsions in a mammal in need thereof which comprises administering to the mammal an effective amount of a compound of claim 10.

Claims 26-27. (cancelled)

Claim 28. (previously presented) Methyl-3-[(3S)-7-chloro-5-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-oxo-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,4-benzodiazepin-3-yl]propanoate and pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates thereof.

Claim 29. (previously presented) Methyl-3-[(3S)-7-chloro-5-(2-fluorophenyl)-2-(methylamino)-3H-1,4-benzodiazepin-3-yl]propanoate or a and pharmaceutically acceptable salts or solvates thereof.

#### Claims 30-31. (cancelled)

Claim 32. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

# Claim 33. (canceled)

Claim 34. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 28.

Claim 35. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 29.

Claims 36-37. (cancelled)

Claim 38. (new) A compound of formula (I)

$$R^3$$
 $R^4$ 
 $R^5$ 
 $R^6$ 
 $W$ 
 $(Y)_m$ 
 $OR^1$ 

Formula (I)

wherein W is H and X, n, Y, m, Z, p and R<sup>1-6</sup> are as follows:

X	n	Y	m	Z	р	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>6</sup>
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0

CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	О
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Br	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	 0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH₃	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	2	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH₃	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	benzyl	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Br	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	C1	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	2	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	4- pyridylmethyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
$CH_2$	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	 0	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	C1	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	 0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>3</sub>	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	 0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>3</sub>	0

CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	О
NH	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	0	1	СН3	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	phenyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Н	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2-pyridyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	H	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	phenyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	••	0		0	3- pyridylmethyl	2- fluorophenyl	C1	Н	О
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0		0	4- pyridylmethyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	О

Claim 39. (new) A compound of formula (I)

$$R^3$$
 $R^5$ 
 $R^6$ 
 $W$ 
 $(X)_n$ 
 $(Y)_m$ 
 $OR^1$ 

Formula (I)

# wherein W is H and X, n, Y, m, Z, p and $R^{1-6}$ are as follows:

X	n	Y	m	Z	p	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	R <sup>5</sup> and R <sup>6</sup>
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	СН₃	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0		0	CH₃	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Br	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	2	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Br	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	2	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	C(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	1	0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	NO <sub>2</sub>	Н	О
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	(CH2)2CH3	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	•	0	4- pyridylmethyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	О
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	1	0	CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0		0	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0

CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	О
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>3</sub>	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>3</sub>	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	benzyl	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	0
NH	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	0
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- chlorophenyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1		0	CH <sub>3</sub>	2-pyridyl	Cl	Н	S
CH <sub>2</sub>	1	CH <sub>2</sub>	1	0	1	CH <sub>3</sub>	2- fluorophenyl	Cl	Н	0